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WHO: ART+10

WHAT: FIRED UP, ART+10 MEMBERS PAINT AND PHOTOGRAPH
VOL. FIREFIGHTERS AT AN OPEN HOUSE
DEMONSTRATION

WHERE: CHESTNUT ST FIREHOUSE, 13 CHESTNUT ST.
PRINCETON, NJ

WHEN: SUNDAY APRIL 26TH (COMMUNIVERSITY DAY) FROM 1-5:30 PM

THE EVENT IS FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

TITLE: FIRED UP

ART + 10 WILL BE PAINTING AT THE CHESTNUT STREET
FIREHOUSE

SUNDAY, APRIL 26TH (COMMUNIVERSITY DAY)

ART + 10, A GROUP OF INDEPENDENT ARTISTS WHOSE MISSION IS TO SUPPORT THE ARTS WITHIN THE COMMUNITY, HAVE SEIZED THIS OPPORTUNITY TO CREATE AN EVENT THAT HIGHLIGHTS A LOCAL TREASURE.

THIS COMMUNITY EVENT IS FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

COME SEE THE HISTORIC CHESTNUT STREET FIREHOUSE AS
ART + 10 CELEBRATES PRINCETON ENGINE CO. # 1 BY
PAINTING PORTRAITS OF THE FIREFIGHTERS, THE FIRE
TRUCKS, THE EQUIPMENT AND THE BUILDING. PAINTINGS
WILL BE FOR SALE WITH A PORTION OF THE PROCEEDS
DONATED TO THE FIRE COMPANY.

A BRIEF HISTORY OF PRINCETON ENGINE CO. #1

PRINCETON ENGINE CO. #1 FOUNDED IN 1794 WAS IN TWO PREVIOUS LOCATIONS BEFORE MOVING INTO THE NEWLY CONSTRUCTED BUILDING AT 13 CHESTNUT STREET THAT HAS BEEN ITS HOME SINCE 1949. THIS 66 YEAR OLD FIREHOUSE IS CHOCK FULL OF FIRE COMPANY MEMORABILIA AND HISTORY.

TODAY THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY 28 ACTIVE VOLUNTEERS WITH DIFFERING ROLES. SOME ARE FIRE FIGHTERS, SOME ARE FIREMAN RELIEF OFFICERS AND OTHERS ARE FIRE POLICE. NOT ALL ARE LOCAL TO THE AREA, A LARGE NUMBER COMMUTE FROM SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES.

THERE IS ALSO AN ACTIVE LADIES AUXILIARY WITH APPROXIMATELY 15 MEMBERS SERVING AS VARIOUS OFFICERS AND RUNNING THEIR OWN MEETINGS. THEY FUNCTION WITHIN THE FIRE COMPANY TO HELP WHEREVER NEEDED. FOR INSTANCE THEY WILL RUN A CANTEEN AT A FIRE TO SERVE THE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AND ANY OTHER WAY THAT WILL BEST SERVE THE NEEDS OF THE ENTIRE DEPARTMENT.

ALONG WITH THE RICH HISTORY OF ENGINE CO. #1 THERE IS A LEGACY OF FAMILIES THAT HAVE SERVED. THE COMPANY HAS SOME TIES BACK TO THE EARLY DAYS OF PRINCETON. ON THE ROSTERS NOW YOU CAN FIND GRANDFATHERS,

FATHERS, SONS, DAUGHTERS, IN-LAWS, AND COUSINS, THE
LEGACIES TOO NUMEROUS TO LIST.

THE COLLECTION OF ARTIFACTS, EQUIPMENT,
PHOTOGRAPHS AND MEMORABILIA ARE WORTH THE TRIP
ALONE.

THE MOTTO OVER THE DOOR OF THIS LOCAL TREASURE IS:
WE LEAD LET OTHERS FOLLOW